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SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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DAMAGE TO NATIONAL HIGHWAYS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated loss suffered on account of the damage to the National Highways connecting the Tsunami hit States in the country as reported in the Dainik Jagaran dated January 06, 2005;

(b) the total length of road in Kilometres damaged in these States:

(c) whether the repair work of these roads has been completed;

(d) whether cases of damages to the culverts over the roads and over-bridges have also been reported:

(e) if so, the total number of the culverts damaged;

(f) the names of the States in which the maximum number of roads, culverts and over-bridges have been damaged:

(g) whether the Government has constructed alternative culverts and over-bridges for movement in such areas; and

(h) if so, the time by when construction and repair of culverts is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) : The estimated cost of restoration of damages to National Highways caused due to Tsunami attack is Rs. 35.90 crore.

(b) : 242 km length of National Highways has been damaged.

(c) : Repair works on the National Highways have been taken up in a phased manner.

(d) & (e) : Damages to 7 bridges and culverts have been reported. No damage to over-bridges has been reported.

(f) : Damages to National Highways have been reported from the following States:

(i) Andaman & Nicobar Islands,

(ii) Tamil Nadu,

(iii) Andhra Pradesh,

(iv) Pondicherry.

(g) : Bailey bridge has been installed on Arasalar Bridge on NH-45A in Pondicherry.

(h) : Reconstruction of seven damaged bridges and culverts on National Highways would take about two years.